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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2006, please amend the application as set forth below..

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings describing changes to drawings shown in the Appendix

Remarks are included following the amendments.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks.